



Health Matters July 2021

An occasional update from
Hoveton & Wroxham Medical Centre.



Covid Vaccination Programme

Writing this on 9 July 2021, we have now provided a 1st dose to 88.8% of our eligible patients and a 2nd dose to 72.2% of patients – still well above the national average. We still need to do our best to vaccinate all adults, particularly as we see infection rates rapidly rising again.

Autumn Boosters. Plans are underway for a staged operation to provide over-fifties and our more vulnerable patients a booster vaccination between September and December. This may be combined with the annual influenza vaccination. We will keep you updated of developments.



After “Freedom Day” - Infection Prevention and Control

Throughout the pandemic the operational priority has been to reduce to the lowest level the risk of a Covid-19 outbreak at Hoveton & Wroxham Medical Centre. So far we have been successful and we intend to keep it that way. With the support of the Patient Participation Group, we shall retain the risk reduction measures after 19 July. This will include patient & staff mask wearing, social distancing and one-way systems. Please continue to follow our rules so that we can remain open for business.

Using your Health Data for Planning and Research

Information about your health and care helps the NHS to improve your individual care, speed up diagnosis, plan your local services and research new treatments. It can also help research organisations to explore new treatments or make discoveries. However, you can decide that you do not want your information to be used in this way. There are two main options:

Option 1: Opting out of the **GP Data** for Planning and Research (GPDPR). This means you don't want your data to be extracted from your GP clinical system and used for Planning and Research Purposes. To opt out of your data leaving the GP Practice for Research and Planning, just contact Reception by our website, phone, email or post and let us know.

Option 2: Opting out of **NHS Digital** using or sharing your health data (held by any provider, such as hospitals, not just your GP), for Planning and Research purposes. To opt out of your health data being used or shared by NHS Digital (Type 2), you can call 0300 303 5678 or write to National Data Opt Out Contact Centre, NHS Digital, HM Government, 7 and 8 Wellington Place, Leeds, LS1 4AP.

GP Survey 2021

A random selection of patients are chosen each spring to provide their opinion on how well their GP practice is performing. You can find the results by searching for 'GP Survey'. This year Hoveton & Wroxham Medical Centre has improved again: **95% finding the receptionists at this GP practice helpful** (Local (CCG) average: 92%, National average: 89%); **99% had confidence and trust in the healthcare professional** they saw or spoke to during their last general practice appointment (Local (CCG) average: 96% National average: 96%); and, **90% describe their overall experience of this GP practice as good**. Local (CCG) average: 85%, National average: 83%.

We will not rest on our laurels. These are the most challenging of times for primary care and we will continue to strive to improve the experience of our patients.

Feedback or questions? See our website or Facebook page

